

Jerome White, SAT- “Because the school staff – and medical and clinical specialists – know their students best, the vast majority of students who are approved for testing accommodations at their school through a current Individualized Education Program (IEP) or 504 Plan will have those same accommodations automatically approved for taking the SAT, PSAT 10, PSAT/NMSQT, SAT Subject Tests, and AP Exams.”

Edward Colby, ACT- Sam: “How much do things like having a 504 plan previously in high school factor into your decision on whether or not a kid will be approved for the accommodations they’re requesting?”

Colby: “I can’t tell you how much that impacts, but I can tell you that the vast majority of students who receive accommodations on the ACT have a history of receiving similar accommodations on tests in school. There are exceptions, but they are rare. So, virtually all students who get accommodations on the ACT are already receiving those accommodations or have been receiving them on tests in school.”

Sam: “Typically are they 504 plans. I know that that’s pretty much only for public schools, but would you say that most of the accommodations that you see students already having are 504 plans?”

Colby: “I don’t know. I don’t have any percentages on that so I couldn’t tell you that. I don’t know. I don’t know if it would be that or something else. I know that...all I can tell you is what I’ve already told you. The vast majority, almost all of students who get accommodations receive them already in school. Whatever it would be.”